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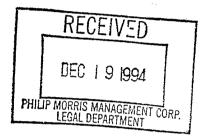
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CONFIRMATION

Dear Jim.

PM 1267 & 1268 Our Files: 29136/29957

Thank you for your letter of 2nd December 1994.

I have reviewed our records of these cases, and it seems that some, listed below can be revived without difficulty. Of the remainder, PM 1268 EPO (EP 88310843.3, R&G 29957), is irretrievably lapsed in all designated states. I have written to our associates on all the other cases which were pending at the time of abandonment to see if they can be revived, and I will let you know when I have heard.

The cases which should be revivable without difficulty are:

PM 1268 (R&G 29957)

Australia

extended term for renewal fee payment expires 18th May 1995.

Finland

divisional, FI 9210718 (extended term for paying renewal fee expires 18th May

1995.

Japan

- examination fee must be paid by 18th November 1995.

South Africa - extended term for paying renewal fee expires 16th May 1995.

PM 1267 (R&G 29136)

Australia - renewal fee due 29th December 1994.

Canada - renewal fee due 18th May 1995.

Finland - renewal fee due 22nd December 1994.

Japan - examination fee due 28th December 1994.

South Africa - renewal fee due 14th December 1994.

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You will see that the deadlines on the PM 1268 applications are fast approaching. Please let me have your instructions to pay the Japanese examination fee. Please also let me know whether you wish me to instruct payment of the PM 1267 renewal fees due at the end of this month, or whether Dennemeyer will take care of these.

So far as PM 1268 is concerned, presumably you will instruct Dennemeyer to re-instate the granted patents and pay the outstanding renewal fees, with the fine, by the due dates indicated above. I look forward to receiving your instructions in due course concerning the payment of the Japanese examination fee on this case.

I will report to you when I have heard from our associates.

Yours sincerel

N. Marlow

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